

RESOLUTION OF THE BOSTON REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY
RE: PROPOSED DISPOSITION OF PARCEL 31A IN THE
SOUTH END URBAN RENEWAL AREA PROJECT NO. MASS R-56

WHEREAS, the Boston Redevelopment Authority hereinafter referred to as the "Authority", has entered into a contract for loan and capital grant with the Federal Government under Title I of the Housing Act of 1949, as amended, which contract provides for financial assistance in the hereinafter identified project; and

WHEREAS, the Urban Renewal Plan for the South End Urban Renewal Area, Project No. Mass. R-56, hereinafter referred to as the "Project Area", has been duly reviewed and approved in full compliance with local, state and federal law; and

WHEREAS, the Authority is cognizant of the conditions that are imposed in the undertaking and the carrying out of urban renewal projects with Federal financial assistance under said Title I, including those prohibiting discrimination because of race, color, sex, religion or national origin; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Thomas Bethoney has presented a proposal for the purchase and improvement of Disposition Parcel 31A in the South End Urban Renewal Area;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOSTON-REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY:

1. That Dr. Thomas Bethoney be and hereby is tentatively designated as redeveloper of Disposition Parcel 31A, South End Urban Renewal Area, subject to:

(a) Concurrence in the proposed disposal transaction by the Department of Housing and Urban development:

(b) Publication of all public disclosure and issuance of all approvals required by the Massachusetts General Laws and Title I of the Housing Act of 1949, as amended:

(c) Submission within ninety (90) days in a form satisfactory to the Authority of:

(i) Evidence of the availability of necessary equity funds; and

(ii) Evidence of firm financing commitments from banks or other lending institutions; and

(iii) Final working drawings and specifications.

2. That the disposal of said parcel by negotiation is the appropriate method of making the land available for redevelopment.

3. That the Secretary is hereby authorized and directed to publish notice of the proposed disposal transaction in accordance with Section 105 (3) of the Housing Act of 1949, as amended, including information with respect to the "Redeveloper's statement for Public Disclosure" (Federal Form H-6004).

WASHINGTON ST.

PROPOSED CURB LINE

NEW ST.

PARCEL
31a
11,800 sq ft

PARCEL
31

LACONIA ST (TO E.E. DISCO)

MEMORANDUM

September 9, 1971

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TO: Boston Redevelopment Authority

FROM: Robert T. Kenney, Director

SUBJECT: TENTATIVE DESIGNATION OF REDEVELOPER
DISPOSITION PARCEL 31A
SOUTH END URBAN RENEWAL AREA, MASS. R-56

SUMMARY: This memorandum requests tentative designation of Dr. Thomas Bethoney as redeveloper of Disposition Parcel 31A, South End Urban Renewal Area.

The Red Fez, located at 1222 Washington Street in the South End, is a small but well-known eating establishment specializing in Syrian cuisine that has been run by the Bethoney family for 40 years. The present owner, Dr. Thomas Bethoney, also of 1222 Washington Street, wishes to enlarge his operation by constructing a one-story, 4,500 sq. ft. addition that will include expanded restaurant and kitchen facilities.

Dr. Bethoney's proposal also calls for the provision of access for service deliveries and 16 parking spaces for his employees and patrons.

The total area of Parcel 31A proposed for redevelopment for additional restaurant and parking facilities is approximately 11,800 sq. ft.

In a separate memorandum submitted at this meeting, the Authority is being requested to modify the South End Urban Renewal Plan by subdividing Disposition Parcel 31 to form the additional Parcel 31A.

In order to provide for the expansion of his restaurant and proper access for service deliveries and patron and employee parking, the owner has submitted a request for tentative designation as redeveloper of the proposed Parcel 31A.

It is therefore recommended that the Authority adopt the attached resolution tentatively designating Dr. Thomas Bethoney as Redeveloper of Parcel 31A in the South End.

An appropriate Resolution is attached.